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ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY - Open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and until 7:00 p.m. from April 1 through Labor Day. Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Amphitheater, the Custis-Lee Mansion and the graves of Presidents John F. Kennedy and William Howard Taft. Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier every hour on the hour and every half-hour between April 1 and Labor Day. Narrated bus tour daily from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.: Adults-\$4.00; Children-\$2.00. Additional info: (703) 697-2131. www.arlingtoncemetery.org

BOTANIC GARDENS - Located on the Capitol grounds at the intersection of Independence Avenue and 1st Street SW. Administrative office 245 1st Street NW. Conservatory open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Free. Groups make reservations three weeks in advance. (202) 225-8333. www.aoc.gov - use Botanic Gardens link.

BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING - 14th and C Street, S.W. Tours Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tickets are free. All tours must be reserved one week in advance by calling (202) 874-2330. Closed weekends, federal holidays, and December 24 through January 4. (202) 874-3188. www.bep.treas.gov

CORCORAN GALLERY OF ART - 500 17th Street N.W. Museum open Monday through Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Thursday until 9:00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays and holidays. (202) 639-1700. Adults-\$5.00; Senior Citizens-\$3.00; Students-\$1.00; Members and children under 12 free; Differing group rates; Free admission Mondays, and Thursdays after 5:00 p.m. www.corcoran.org/museum

DUMBARTON OAKS - 1703 32nd Street, N.W. Gardens entrance at 31st and R Street, N.W. Gardens open daily from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The museum is free and is open Tuesday through Sunday from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Public tours at Noon on Saturday and Sunday. Both are closed on federal holidays. Admission to Garden: Adults-\$5.00; Senior Citizens and Children under 12-\$3.00. (202) 339-6401. www.doaks.org

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION - Closed for public tours. www.fbi.gov

FORD'S THEATER AND LINCOLN MUSEUM - 10th Street between E and F Streets, N.W. Open every day of the year except Christmas from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (202) 426-6924. www.nps.gov/foth

FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL - West bank of the Tidal Basin. Open daily from 8:00 a.m. to midnight. Closed on Christmas day. (202) 426-6841. www.nps.gov/fdrm

JEFFERSON MEMORIAL - South bank of the Tidal Basin. Open from 8:00 a.m. to 11:45 p.m. daily. At the Swan Boathouse, you can rent a paddle boat to cruise the Basin. Boathouse open 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on weekends (weather permitting). Closed Christmas day. Phone: (202) 926-6841. Boathouse Phone: (202) 479-2426. www.nps.gov/thje

JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS - Daily tours conducted by Friends of the Kennedy Center volunteers from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Tours are free and last about 1 hour. Afternoon tour, be there at 4:30 p.m. and finish in time for free 6:00 p.m. performance on Millennium Stage. Visitors should go to the Tour Lounge, Parking Level A. (202) 416-8340. www.kennedy-center.org

KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL - West Potomac Park on the Mall - French Dr. and Independence Avenue (across the Reflecting Pool from the Vietnam Veterans Memorial). Memorial is open 24 hours but facilities open from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. Closed Christmas day. (202) 426-6841. www.nps.gov/kwvm

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS - Jefferson Building, First Street and Independence Avenue, S.E. Tours Monday through Friday 10:30 a.m., 11:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. Saturday tours 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. Groups of 10 or more are asked to make a reservation. (202) 707-9779. www.loc.gov

LINCOLN MEMORIAL - West Potomac Park at the foot of 23rd Street, N.W. Lobby open from 8:00 a.m. to 11:45 p.m. daily. Closed Christmas day. (202) 426-6841. www.nps.gov/linc

MARINE CORPS WAR MEMORIAL (IWO JIMA STATUE) - Located along Route 50, adjoining Arlington National Cemetery. See the world's largest bronze statue depicting the U.S. flag being raised on Mount Suribachi during World War II. Open 24 hours and the admission is free. There is a parade held every Tuesday, that begins at sunset, featuring the Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corp & Silent Drill Team. The parade runs from May-August and the start time varies from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. depending on actual time of sunset.

MOUNT VERNON - Home of George Washington. Open to the public daily from 8:00 a.m. April through August and 9:00 a.m. September through March. Entrance gate closes at 5:00 p.m., at 4:00 p.m. from the first of November through February. Admission: adults- \$9.00; Senior Citizens- \$8.50; Children ages 6-11 - \$4.50; Children 5 and under are admitted free. Special prices for certain school and youth groups. (703) 780-2000. www.mountvernon.org

NATIONAL ARBORETUM - 444 acres of trees, shrubs and assorted plants in the northeast section of the District of Columbia. Hours Daily: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed Christmas day. Guide services for organized groups are available. Please make reservations for groups. (202) 637-7000. www.ars-grin.gov/ars/Beltsville/na/

NATIONAL ARCHIVES - 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Scheduled tours are offered at 10:15 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., and generally last 90 minutes. Because the building is undergoing a major renovation, the tour will not include the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, or the Bill of Rights. Reservations can be made by calling (202) 501-5205 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. www.nara.gov

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART - Constitution Avenue, between 3rd and 7th Streets, N.W. Free Admission. Open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sundays from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Closed Christmas and New Years Day. Sunday concerts are held at 7:00 p.m. in the West Garden Court from October through June. West Building tours Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m., Saturday at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., and Sunday at 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. East Building tours Monday through Friday at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. (202) 737-4215. www.nga.gov

NATIONAL VISITORS CENTER - Inside Ronald Reagan Building at 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Mon.-Sat. 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Sun. 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (202) 789-7000. www.washington.org

NEWSEUM - 1101 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington. Closed as of March 3, 2002. Will reopen for public programs in 2006 at 555 Pennsylvania Ave. 1-888-639-7386 or (703) 284-3544. www.newseum.org

OCTAGON HOUSE - 1799 New York Avenue, N.W. Architectural exhibits. Served as James Madison's White House following the destruction of the real White House by the British in 1814. Treaty of Ghent signed here, ending War of 1812. Open Tuesday through Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed Monday. Admission: Adults - \$5.00; Senior Citizens and Children Over 5 - \$3.00 - (202) 638-3221. www.artcom.com/museum/vs/mr/2006.htm

PENTAGON - Currently closed for public tours. www.defenselink.mil/pubs/pentagon

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION - Open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Closed Christmas Day. Extended summer hours, including Art Nights on The Mall, are determined annually. Admission is free to all museums. (202) 357-2700. www.si.edu

Arthur M. Sackler Gallery - 1050 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Arts and Industries Building - 900 Jefferson Drive, S.W.
Freer Gallery of Art - Jefferson Drive at 12th Street, S.W.
Hirshorn Museum & Sculpture Garden - Independence Ave. and 7th St., S.W.
National Air & Space Museum - Independence Avenue and 7th Street, S.W.
National Museum of African Art - 950 Independence Avenue, S.W.
National Museum of American Art - 8th and G Street, N.W. (Closed for renovation)
National Museum of American History - 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W.
National Museum of Natural History - 10th and Constitution Avenue, N.W.
National Portrait Gallery - 8th and F Street, N.W. (Closed for renovation)
National Postal Museum - 2 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E.
Renwick Gallery - Pennsylvania Avenue and 17th Street, N.W.
Smithsonian Institution Building (The Castle) - 1000 Jefferson Drive, S.W.
Weather and star-watching guide - (202) 357-2000

STATE DEPARTMENT - 23rd and C streets, N.W. Guided tours of the Diplomatic Reception Rooms are conducted Monday through Friday at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 2:24 p.m. Tours are 45 minutes in duration. Because it is a Fine Arts tour, it is not recommended that children under the age of twelve attend. (202) 647-3241 www.state.gov

SUPREME COURT - First Street and Maryland Avenue, N.E. Open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except federal holidays. Public lectures are conducted in the courtroom from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., every hour on the half hour except when court is in session. Last tour is at 3:30 p.m. (202) 479-3000. www.supremecourtus.gov

TOURMOBILE - The National Park Service has concessionaire-operated guided tourmobiles that travel from Capitol Hill to Arlington Cemetery and points in between with unlimited reboarding privileges the day of ticket purchase. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. Adults - \$18.00; Children (3-11) - \$8.00. (202) 554-7950. www.tourmobile.com

TREASURY DEPARTMENT - Currently closed for public tours. www.ustreas.gov

UNION STATION - Massachusetts Avenue and North Capitol Street, N.E. on Senate side of Capitol Hill. Rail station refurbished in turn-of-the-century motif. Specialty shops, cinema, restaurants, and Amtrak's mid-Atlantic hub. Open 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday. (202) 289-1908. www.unionstationdc.com

U.S. CAPITOL - Capitol Hill. Open Mon.- Sat. from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Timed tickets for tours handed out on a first come first serve basis beginning at 8:15 a.m. Tours are offered every fifteen minutes with the last tour beginning at 3:30 p.m. Visit Congressman Petri's office for passes to the House of Representatives or Senate Galleries. (202) 225-6827. www.aoc.gov

U.S. HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM - 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place. Open daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Closed Yom Kippur and December 25th. Advanced tickets available through tickets.com or at (800) 400-9373. Those making advanced reservations will pay a \$1.75 convenience service charge per ticket, plus a \$1.00 handling charge per order. Free tickets for a same-day visit are available in limited quantity on a first come, first served basis at the Museum Box Office on the 14th Street side of the Museum which opens at 10:00 a.m. Four-pass limit per person. Permanent exhibit "the Holocaust" requires timed pass, groups of 10 or more must reserve a group entry time (202) 488-0400. www.ushmm.org

VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL - Henry Bacon Drive and Constitution Avenue, N.W. Open 24 hours, restrooms and National Park Service office open daily from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. Constructed of black granite to honor all Americans who served in the Vietnam War. As a special tribute to those who did not return, the names of more than 58,000 who gave their lives or who remain missing are inscribed on the Memorial's walls. (202) 426-6841. www.nps.gov/wash/index.htm

WASHINGTON MONUMENT - Constitution Avenue and 15th Street, N.W. Open daily from 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. Closed July 4th and December 25th. Reservations may be made over the Internet at <http://reservations.nps.gov> or by calling 1-800-967-2283. Those making advanced reservations will pay a \$1.50 convenience service charge per ticket, plus a \$.50 handling charge per order. Free tickets for a same-day visit can be obtained from the ticket kiosk east of the monument. Hours for the ticket kiosk are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and tickets are given out on a first-come first-served basis. www.nps.gov/wash/index.htm

THE WHITE HOUSE - Currently accepting only scheduled school group tours. (202) 456-7041. www.whitehouse.gov

SMITHSONIAN NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL PARK - 3001 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Grounds open daily from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (May 1 through September 15) and from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (September 16 through April 30). The buildings are open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (May 1 through September 15) and from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (September 16 through April 30) during the winter months. Closed on Christmas Day. (202) 673-4800. www.nat zoo.si.edu

Recorded Messages - Dial-a-Museum: (202) 357-2020, **Dial-a-Park:** (202) 619-7275.